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From the St. James's Evening Poſt, Nov. 3.

Grodno, Octob. 16.

ON Sunday laſt the Turkiſh Envoy, who is an Aga, and one of the Chief Generals of the Ottoman Army, made his public Entry here on Horſeback, and was conducted to the King's Audience in the following Manner: Two Colonels went to receive him without the City. When this Miniſter was arrived before the Royal Palace, he found there the Horſe and Foot Guards under Arms, ranged in two Lines; after which he was introduced into the Great Hall of Audience, where the King ſate upon his Throne, ſurrounded by a great Number of Senators and Miniſters: At the Entrance of the Hall, that Miniſter made a profound Obeiſance after the Turkiſh Manner, and when he was near the Throne he delivered to the High Chancellor a Letter from the Grand Signior his Maſter, directed to his Majeſty; which done, he moved ſome Steps backward: Whereupon the Chancellor declared to him by an Interpreter, That his Majeſty received the Sultan's Letter with Pleaſure, That he would anſwer the ſame without Delay, and that in the mean time he had given Orders for defraying his Expences during his Stay here. The Aga thanked the King in a very grateful Manner; and delivered to the Primate of the Kingdom another Letter for the Republick; and after having been reconducted out of the Hall with the ſame Ceremonies. he was ſplendidly entertained at Dinner by the High Treaſurer of Lithuania.

Bruſſels, Oct. 31. The States of Brabant, who met here the 24th Inſt. broke up the next Day till the End of the Year, or the Beginning of the next, after having granted to the Archdutcheſs our Governeſs, for the Subſiſtence of her Houſhold during the Year 1727, three Parts of the Twentieth Penny to be raiſed on the open Country: And the States having made a Remonſtrance againſt the Demand of the Court, *To let to Farm the Provincial Subſidies*, her moſt Serene Highneſs has promiſed to ſend their ſaid Remonſtrance directly to the Emperor, that they may know his Pleaſure thereupon. On Monday laſt an Expreſs arrived here from the Court of Vienna, and after having left a Packet of Letters for our Archdutcheſs, he proceeded to carry other Diſpatches to Paris and London; the Contents of which are not known, but 'tis ſurmiſed they are of the laſt Importance.

Exeter, Oct. 29. Some Days ſince a Londoner being at Totneſs, and in his Airs contrived to put a Trick upon a poor Hoſtler; and after he had made him drunk with Bumpers of Wine, privately called for a Pint of Brandy, and under the Name of Wine offered to give the Silly Mortal 6 d. to drink it off at 3 go Downs, with which the ingnorant Wretch complying, he dropped down and yielded up his Life upon the Spot. Mr. M--- and Mr. D--- both of our City, a few Days ſince being out a ſhooting, and coming to a By Place, Mr. M--- began in a ſerious Manner to Diſcourſe of the Vanity of this World, and Unhappineſs of Mankind in general therein; and in ſhort continued he, *I am ſick of this Troubleſome Life, and reſolve to leave it; and as you are a Friend whom I value, and may repoſe Confidence in, I deſire to receive my Diſcharge from your kind Hand.* Mr. D--- being ſurpriſed at ſuch Talk begged him to conſider better of it, but in vain. At length Mr. M--- taking up his Gun, preſented it at his Friend and told him his Reſolution was taken after mature and calm Conſideration, and that 'twas the only Motive that made him deſire his Company; and in caſe he refuſed to do the Friendly Office of ſhooting him thro' the Head, he'd that Moment lodge the Contents of his Muſquet in his Bowels, and immediately preſented the Muzle of his Piece in his Face; upon which Mr. D--- told he would obey him, but firſt of all deſired that he would addreſs himſelf to God by Prayer and he would join with him; but Mr. M--- refuſed it ſaying that would be to loſe Time; adding, That *I thank God I am already prepared and ready, preſent* cryed he immediately, which Mr. D--- trembling did; *Give Fire* added Mr. D--- with ſuch an undaunted Aſpect and Tone, as utterly diſpirited Mr. M--- who letting drop his Piece, ran away leaping over Hedge

Hedge and Ditch to escape the Danger of murdering or being murdered. Mr. M--- catching up his Gun, ran after him, swearing to shoot him; but was not able to come up with Mr. D---, whose Terror adding Wings to his Feet, soon carryed both out of the reach and sight of other. Last Week one White a Weaver of Credit, desiring his Wife to lend him a Knife to pare his Nails, on a sudden cried out, *D--n it, let it go all together*, and with the same ripp'd up his Bowels. He languished three Days under the Cure of a Surgeon, and expired without any apparent Remorse; the Coroner's Inquest brought in their Verdict *Felo de se*, he was last Saturday buried in a Cross Road according to Law; and now the Vulgar will have it, that a Spectrum in the Shape of that unhappy Person has appeared to many; and 'tis certain that a young Woman of this Neighbourhood was so feared and affrighted by his pretended Shadow, that she presently took to her Bed, and died in two Days. The Rumour of this Apparition is spread all over the Country.

Abstract of the Resolutions of the High and Mighty Lords the States General of the United Netherlands.

Monday, Oct. 21, 1726.

THE Report was heard of Mr. Lintelo and other their High Mightinesses Deputies for military Affairs, who pursuant and in Discharge of their Commissorial Resolutions of the 2d Inst. had had a Conference with some Deputies of the Council of State on the Contents of a Letter from the said Council of the 30th past, wherein they represented to their H. Might. in most urgent Terms, the Reasons why this State ought without Delay to be put if not into a formidable, at least into a sufficient Posture of Defence; and especially, of how great Importance it is to proceed to an Augmentation of the Forces with 9474 Men, according to the Petition of the 11th of July last, wherein it was proposed to settle a Fund for the Raising and Pay of the said 9474 Men; but that by the elapsing of Time since, the Proposal for raising the Recruit-money has fallen of itself; and therefore it was recommended to consider, whether it was not highly necessary to enter into a more mature Deliberation, as well for obtaining the Consent wanting to the said Petition, as on the Alterations requisite to be made in the same, with respect to the Sum or Quantity of the Recruit-money, and the Means of collecting it.

At the same Time was received and read a Letter from the Council of State, containining a supplemental Petition to that of the 11th of July, formed upon the Result of the aforesaid Conference, for 619,774 Guilders for Recruit-money for the 9474 Men.

Which being taken into Consideration, and the States of Guelderland having consented to the said Petition; as also, that the Deputies of the Province of Zealand had declared they were charged and authorized to consent to the said Petition, assoon as the Province of Holland and West Friseland did consent to it: IT IS Judged fit and Resolved, That the said Letter and supplemental Petition shall be sent to the Lords the States of the respective Provinces, and they to be desir'd to give their speedy Consent thereto, and communicate such their Consent to this Assembly, and to render the same effectual by furnishing their Contingent to the Expence.

That their H. Might. reflecting on the Reasons enumerated in the said Letter from the Council of State, and on the present Situation of Affairs in Europe, cannot but be perswaded that it is Time, and more than Time for the United Provinces to bethink themselves of providing for their own Defence, and actually setting about the Work for putting the State, if not into a formidable, at least into a sufficient Posture of Defence, &c. [*as before.*

That in these Circumstances of Affairs, Their H. Might. heartily wish, and most earnestly beseech GOD, that the Peace and Quiet of Europe may be preserved; but being uncertain what God in his Providence may have determined, they find no Ground to to satisfy themselves, that Things will not run into Troubles and Wars, or that this State can avoid being drawn into them, notwithstanding all the Moderation and Patience hitherto shewed, and which they would still exercise, did they not see that 'tis hardly possible but the Preparations of War which are making in the Neighbourhood, tho' never so much pretended to be only Defensive, must in Time, and perhaps shortly, fall upon the State. That it is the Part of common Prudence to shelter our selves in Time against a Storm which is seen gathering far off, however uncertain it may be where it will fall. That the Alliance of two Powerful Kings may be a great Assistance in Case of Need, but that the Support of Friends is best to be expected, &c. [*as before.*

That if the Lords the States of the Provinces are more easy in this Case, Their H. Might. would gladly be informed on what Ground it is they are so; but if otherwise, 'tis hoped they will no longer

er ſpend their Time in deliberating in ſuch an Affair as is that of the Augmentation of the Forces; an Affair, the Neceſſity of which, tho' the peril of the preſent Juncture were queſtionable, is ſo manifeſt, and requires ſo great Diſpatch, that their H. Mightineſſes cannot comprehend how any well meaning Perſon concerned in the Government, can heſitate about giving his Conſent to it, and to the finding out and ſettling the Means, how burdenſome ſoever they may be, to put inſtantly into Execution that Augmentation, which the longer it is delayed, the more difficult will the Levies be, eſpecially at a Time when Men are raiſing every where round us.

That their H. Mightineſſes deſire the States of the ſeveral Provinces to conſider what Diſtreſs and Perplexity we ſhould be in, if in the approaching Spring an Army ſhould be formed near the Frontiers of this State, which it is not impoſſible nor even improbable will be the Caſe, and in ſuch a Diſtreſs we ſhould find our ſelves deſtitute of Troops to make Oppoſition, nay even to defend the Frontiers which lie moſt expoſed, and not to have taken due Meaſures for warding off the threatning Danger; which Meaſures cannot be taken while Perſons in the Government will come to no Reſolution, but ſit with folded Arms perfectly unactive. That the propoſed Augmentation of the Forces is not all, but a Part only of what is requiſit for the better Security of this State; That a Beginning muſt be made with this, and without the leaſt Loſs of Time; unleſs the Safety of the State is to be neglected in ſuch a Manner as if any Calamity ſhould thence enſue, muſt be anſwered for to God, to the preſent Subjects of the State, and to Poſterity. That their H. Mightineſſes will hope, truſt, and expect from the Wiſdom, Reſolution and Affection of the United States for their Native Country, that they reflecting on the Weakneſs the State is in with reſpect to its Security and Defence, on the Motions every where in Europe, and the Uncertainty of what may reſult from them, on the Danger that may ariſe from them to the State, and on the ſhortneſs of the Time now ſo precious, will without any more Delay or Loſs of Time, and poſtponing all particular Conſiderations which might divert them from the main View of putting the State into a ſufficient Poſture of Defence, contribute to the providing of all that is neceſſary for the Security and Preſervation of the State, and eſpecially will give their Conſent to the foreſaid Petition and ſupplemental Petition for the Augment of the Forces.

That their H. Might. look upon this as a Matter of ſo much Weight, that, in their Opinion, unleſs the ſame be brought to a ſpeedy Concluſion, the Well-being, Liberty, and RELIGION of the whole Republick will be put to the Venture: And that to avoid incurring the Guilt of the Miſchiefs that may enſue from longer Delays, they ſhall be obliged, in caſe all Warnings and Exhortations by Letters, be fruitleſs, to ſend a Deputation, conformably to the fundamental Rules of the Union, to repreſent *viva voce* the abſolute Neceſſity of what is required; in Hopes that may have better Effect to perſwade them to what in the Opinion of their High Mightineſſes and of the Council of State, is indiſpenſibly neceſſary for their common Safety and Preſervation. But they truſt ſuch a Deputation may be prevented by good and efficacious Reſolutions.

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, Nov. 5.

No Foreign Mails this Poſt.

THE Spaniards are noted for a People who put ſuch Things as they have been brought to accept of againſt their Will on the Back-ſide of their Books, to be remembred as Opportunity ſhall offer. But be that as it will, 'tis certain ſuch Meaſures will be taken as will effectually oblige them to accept of the juſt and equitable Terms propoſed for preſerving the Peace and Tranquillity of Europe, and the many valuable Rights and Privileges relating to the Britiſh Trade; to which End, Admiral Hoſier will continue in the W. Indies, and his Squadron be reinforced as Occaſion ſhall require. 'Tis ſaid Capt. Gordon in the Berwick goes Commodore of the 4 Ships of War deſigned for the W. Indies, for the Uſe of which Squadron, the Commiſſioners for Victualling his Majeſty's Navy have agreed for ſeveral thouſand Gallons of Gallipoly Oil.

The Ships of the Squadron under Admiral Wager (who Yeſterday waited on his Majeſty at Kenſington) will be kept in Commiſſion, and the Seamen allowed to come on Shore for about 2 Months.

We have an Account from Boſton in New England, That on the 30th of Auguſt died Archibald Cummins Eſq; Surveyor of his Majeſty's Cuſtoms in that Port. And ſome Days before died the Honourable John Uſher Eſq; formerly Treaſurer of

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that Province, and Lieutenant Governor of New Hampshire.

At the Funeral of the late Duke of Portland last Thursday Night, the Pall was supported by the Dukes of Dorset, Montague and Mancheſter, Earl of Selkirk, the Lords Londſdale, Walgrave, Rancleigh, and Palmeſton. The young Duke of Portland was Chief Mourner, ſupported by the Earls of Eſſex and Albemarle. His Majeſty has been graciouſly pleaſed out of his Royal Bounty, to give 500 l. towards Printing 10000 Copies of the New Teſtament in Arabick, for the Uſe of the poor Chriſtians in Syria, Paleſtine and other Eaſtern Countries.

The Reverend Dr. Edward Littleton, having laſt Summer been elected one of the Fellows of his Majeſty's College of Eaton, a Pardon is preparing to paſs the Seals for his Offence in omitting to take the Oaths within the Time limited by Act of Parliament, and officiating as Fellow of the ſaid College after ſuch Ommiſſion.

Advices from New York relate, that Admiral Hoſier intended to demand the other great S. Sea Ship called the Royal Prince, which was then at Carthagena, and all the Effects belonging to the Factory there and at Porto Bello. 'Tis added, that 2 Ships were arrived there from Roterdam, with 300 Palatines, and that 2 more were expected.

Major Dryſdale Governor of Virginia died the 17th of July laſt.

S. S. Stock, 97. Some Diſcourſe is raiſed in relation to the Conduct of a certain Ad-----l. We told you in our laſt, that Sir John Jennings had waited on his Majeſty; we are now to acquaint you that Admiral Wager has done the like, and met with a gracious Reception.

'Tis now ſaid that the Lord Finch does not go to Pruſſia.

The Commiſſioners of Trade, &c. are conſidering upon the Improvement of the Britiſh Trade in Germany and Flanders.

The Abp. of York has forbid the Clergy of his Dioceſe to ride in Lay Habits.

From the London Gazette, Nov. 5.

At the Court at Kenſington, Octob. 4, 1726.

His Majeſty in Council was this Day pleaſed to order, That the Parliament which ſtands prorogu'd to Thurſday the 10th Inſtant, ſhould be further prorogu'd to Thurſday the Eighth of December next.

From the Evening Poſt, November 5.

From the Garrettes, near Porto Bello, June 20. The Britiſh Squadron under Admiral Hoſier is in the Bay of Sta. Maria, the Admiral keeps 3 Ships cruiſing before Porto Bello, who ſearch all Ships going in or out. The Spaniards have thrown up 2 little Forts, to hinder the Landing of the Engliſh, ſhould they attempt it.

London, Nov. 5. This Week a Meſſenger arrived in ten Days from the Pruſſian Court; and another was diſpatched hence to the Dutch, 'tis ſaid to offer 6000 of our Troops in Caſe of their being attacked.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

¶ That on the 22d Day of December next, betwixt the Hours of two and four in the Afternoon, in the *Houſe* of Mris Don Vintner in Edinburgh, there is to be ſold by publick voluntary Roup, the Lands of Laghall, Netherton, Boigs, Prieſtlands, Redbrae, Woodhead and Miln Armannoch and Marchromne, with a Salmond Fiſhing on the Water of Nith, paying 107 L. 6 ſh. 8 d. Sterl. of Yearly free Rent, beſide Kains and Caſualities, holden of the Crown Taxtward, lying within a Mile or thereby of the Burgh of Dumfries, the greateſt Part thereof betwixt the Waters of Nith and Crirgin, in the Pariſh of Troquire and *Stewartry* of Kircudbright. The Progreſs of the Writs with the Rental and Conditions of Sale, to be ſeen in the Hands of Thomas Goldie Writer to the Signet at his Writing Chamber in Edinburgh.

¶ Notice is hereby given by the MANAGERS of the Fiſhing Copartnery, That they are to Expoſe to publick Sale by Roup, at their Office in the Lawn market of Edinburgh, upon *Thurſday* the Tenth of November Inſt. at 3 in the Afternoon, the Lands and Fiſhertoun of PETERHEAD with the Pertinents and others, belonging to the ſaid Copartnery, lying in the Pariſh of Peterhead and Shire of Aberdeen; the yearly Rental whereof amounts to 191 Bolls and 2 Pecks of Bear, 199 Bolls, 2 Pecks and one 3d of Meal, 2 Bolls of Oats, and L. 80, 4, 3, 1 6th ſterl. of Money-rent and Feu-duties, being the neat free Rent, over and above the Miniſter's Stipend. *Item*, The Feus of 37 Houſes in Stonehaven, and Fiſh-boats in the ſaid Town, alſo belonging to the ſaid Copartnery, lying in the Sheriffdom of Kincardine; the free Rent whereof amounts in all to L. 7, 12, 6 ſterl. Any Perſon who intends to bid for the above Purchaſe, may ſee the Particulars of the Rental, the Copartnery's Right, and the Conditions of Sale, at the Copartnerys' Office.

¶*¶ That there is to be ſold good Piermonnt Water, at the *Shop* of Robert Lindſay Merchant, oppoſite to the Trone Church, and at John Trail's Merchant oppoſite to the Luckenbooths, at 22 d. the Bottle, and in Dozens at 20 ſh. Sterling.

¶¶¶ That upon Thurſday the 24th of November Inſt. betwixt the Hours of 10 & 12 before Noon, there is to be ſett in Tack by way of publick Roup, within the Houſe of Robert Colquhoun at Milburn of Touch, for the Space of Nine Years, the PARKS OF TOUCH, conſiſting of ſixty Acres of fine Kerſe Ground in ſeven Diviſions, whereof five are Meadow Ground: As alſo Fourteen Acres of fine Dry-field Ground not incloſed, in whole or in Parcels, lying in the Pariſh of *St.* Ninian's, two Miles Weſt from Stirling.

The Articles and Conditions of Roup may be ſeen in the Hands of the ſaid Robert Colquhoun any Day before the Roup.